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POST F. T. P. A., OFFICERS MASONIC DEGREE WORK

Selected by Local Organization at a Recent Meeting in Rooms of Chamber of Commerce

Post F. of the Travelers' Protective Association, of this city, has elected the following officers to serve during the coming year:

Julian Y. Williams, president. Alfred Thomson, vice president. Hunt Russell, secretary treasurer. J. William May, Walter Rogers, John H. Trimyer, Robert E. Knight, T. F. Ellis, and Olando H. Kirk, directors. Chairmen of committees were named as follows: Railroad, A. D. Brockett; Legislative, Henry K. Field. Press, Harry D. Kirk. Hotels, M. E. Greene. Employment, Samuel W. Pitts. Membership, J. William May, Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. John L. Allison.

Good of the order, John H. Trimyer chairman; M. E. Price, jr., and W. W. Ballenger.

The following delegates and alternates were elected to the state convention which will meet in Newport News, May 4th, and 5th; delegates—W. W. Ballenger, J. William May, A. D. Brockett, Richard Gibson, R. E. Miller, M. L. Price, jr., R. E. Knight, John H. Trimyer, Harry D. Kirk, Martin E. Greene, R. L. Payne, T. F. Ellis, A. C. Moss, T. A. Sommers, Harvey Henshaw, Alfred Thomson and Harry Hammond; alternates—Edgar Warfield, jr., William Leadbeater, R. M. Chichester, E. M. Anderson, R. S. Jones, H. K. Field, L. L. Armistead, S. W. Pitts, O. H. Kirk, K. W. Ogden, E. W. Jenkins, W. G. Rogers, John Reed, H. N. Garner, Charles J. Deahl, B. Wheatley and J. F. Carlin.

ENFORCED VACATION

Efforts Being Made to Secure Suitable Building for Scholars of Snowden School.

Over 200 colored children who attended the Snowden public school are enjoying an enforced vacation due to the destruction of the school building by fire at one o'clock yesterday afternoon. Efforts are being made to secure a suitable building for temporary use but difficulty is being encountered by Superintendent of School John S. Parker. The matter will come before the school board at its regular monthly meeting on Monday night.

The building which was a large two story frame structure in Pitt street near gibbon was discovered to be on fire while the children were at recess.

The blaze commenced in a closet under the steps on the first floor. It is thought that it was caused by some one throwing a match into the closet containing waste paper. The firemen could do but little beyond confining the blaze to the building in which it originated. The building was valued at \$10,000 and there was insurance of \$3,600.

FLAYS CHURCH POLITICS.

Pastor Points Out a Peril That Conferences Will Confront.

Wilmington, Del., March 28.—Calling attention to the peril of church politics, Rev. George A. Cooke, pastor of Wesley Methodist Church, in an address to the members of Union Methodist Church pictured some of the problems to be faced at the coming sessions of the Wilmington Conference and the General Conference. He declared against letting down the bars on the amusement question; said the church had plenty of bishops without electing more of them, and called for a check on the modernists, higher critics and free thinkers who are undermining the old-fashioned doctrines of the church.

"The church has become dangerously top heavy," he said, "when conferences are over-shadowed and almost suffocated with the pressure of General Conference officials. There is danger of annual conferences losing their identity and becoming automatic machines for the dumping of money into the treasury of some General Conference Board. The Wilmington Conference is author of the greatest law that has been proposed to the church in 50 years. It proposes to give our bishops a qualified veto power over legislation at the General Conference. The only possible effect of such a law would be to cause the General Conference to give more respect to the constitution of the church."

AGENTS WANTED—\$5 to \$7 daily selling New Fibre Drums; every woman will buy. Sample by Parcel Post, 35 cents. Wynne Broom Co., Elmira, N. Y.

Many Scottish Rite Masons Attend Opening in Temple in This City Last Night.

Despite the heavy rain-fall a large number of members of the Scottish Rite Masons attended the opening night of a week of Masonic degree work by the Scottish Rite bodies of Alexandria which was held last night in Masonic Temple. Among the visitors were John H. Cowles thirty-third degree, secretary general of the Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction, and J. Claude Keiper, past grand master of Masons in the District of Columbia.

The 15th and 18th degrees were conferred in an impressive manner. The cast of characters for the fifteenth degree was as follows:

First and Third Apartment Frank W. Latham, worshipful ruler.

Percy E. Clift, high priest; J. William May, scribe.

Arthur A. Paul, master of ceremonies.

Boyd J. Richards, captain of the guard.

Robert S. Barrett, Zorobabel, Second Apartment.

H. Noel Garner, King Cyrus. Leopold Ruben, master of palace.

William Lewis Allen, master of household.

Samuel W. Pitts, master of cavalry. Alexander M. Sherwood, master of infantry.

Vance H. Peele, master of chancery.

James M. Duncan, master of finance. William S. Connelly, captain of the guard.

The cast for the eighteenth degree was as follows:

Robert S. Barrett, wise master, first apartment.

Percy E. Clift, wise master, second apartment.

H. Noel Garner, senior warden. Arthur A. Paul, junior warden.

Boyd J. Richards, orator.

Frank W. Latham, master of ceremonies.

Alexander M. Sherwood, guard of the temple.

The 20th and 21st degrees are to be conferred tonight commencing at 7 o'clock.

Virgil C. Young of Washington and Mrs. Mary C. Cross, of Kentucky, were married on Friday night by the Rev. S. B. Jackson, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Eva Mushback will leave on Saturday for Bridgeville, Pa. where she will visit her brother, Mr. R. C. Gwinn for several months.

Miss Marguerite Wheatley Field will sing the Offertory Solo at St. Paul's Church tonight at the 8 o'clock services.

COURT OF APPEALS. Richmond, March 28.—The following are the proceedings of the Court of Appeals yesterday:

No. 83—City of Hampton vs. Watson. Argued by W. C. L. Taliaferro and J. A. Masie for the appellant, and by C. V. Spratley and S. J. Dudley, for the appellee, and submitted.

No. 84—Hawkes vs. Bowles. Argued by David Meade White for the appellant, and by M. J. Fulton and Willie B. Smith for the appellee, and submitted.

Next cases to be called:

No. 85—J. R. Wheeler Company vs. Hite.

No. 86—Southern Railway Company vs. Mason, by etc.

No. 87—Smith vs. Wlosifer. (To be submitted on briefs).

No. 88—Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company vs. Virginia Manufacturing Company.

MUSICAL and the "BENTZTOWN BARD," (Folger McKensy)

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DIED—On Sunday, March 26, 1916, at his residence in Fairfax county, GEORGE H. TRAVERS, beloved son of the late John W. and Margaret Travers in his 34 year. Funeral from 422 N. Patrick Street, Wednesday, at 3 o'clock. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

PRELIMINARY HEARING

Petition of Patrons of Alexandria Water Presented to Corporation Commission.

The preliminary hearing of the petition of the patrons of the Alexandria Water Company before the State Corporation Commission in Richmond took place today when the Water Company made answer to the complaints regarding the quantity and quality of the water furnished in Alexandria city and county the rates charged and the rules which are in effect governing the consumption of water.

Howard W. Smith president of common Council who is the attorney for the water users and Gardner L. Boothe who is associated with Col. Francis L. Smith as attorney for the Alexandria Water Company, left for Richmond last night and appeared before the corporation commission today. Mr. Smith also represented the consumers of Alexandria county who had filed a petition similar to that of the users of Alexandria City and had presented same through Attorney Walter U. Varney.

The attorneys for the water users asked the commission to appoint a special agent who would come to Alexandria and investigate the conditions of the water supply and hold a public hearing at which time evidence would be presented by the consumers to prove their contentions.

VETO BILL TO SAVE TAXES

Governor Defeats Measure Which is "Violation of Principle of Equality"

Richmond, March 27.—Governor Stuart put an emphatic veto on a bill which passed the last Legislature and which would have permitted holders of securities for debt to change such securities from time to time without paying anything for such recordation. The Governor in his veto says:

"Senate bill No. 296 is vetoed for the reason that it seeks to exempt from the payment of a privilege tax those who, of their own violation, avail themselves of the privilege of the protection of our laws of recordation. The so-called supplemental instruments sought to be exempted are recorded by the parties in interest for their own purpose to secure or to better secure the payment of the amount contracted for in the original instruments. This is a privilege for which they should be taxed. It is true they have already paid a tax at the time of the recordation of the original instrument based on a convenient measure upon the amount of bonds or other obligations secured thereby, but, as our courts have well said, this is a tax neither upon the property conveyed nor the debt secured, but is a tax upon a civil privilege.

"This privilege is availed of as truly in the recordation of supplemental instruments as in original instruments. In both cases the object is to secure or better secure a debt. If the bill had been so drafted that the tax on the supplemental instrument should be measured not by the amount secured in the first instrument, but upon some fair basis measured by the value of the additional privileges afforded by the recordation of the second instrument, the justice of such a measure would have been readily recognized, but I am unwilling, in seeking to remedy the defect in the present law, to give my approval to a bill which works an injustice even greater than that sought to be remedied.

"This bill not only permits to go untaxed the recordation of deeds conveying additional property, but is open to the still greater objection that it allows indefinite substitution of one property for another—a repeated use of our public records without any tax whatsoever. This, in my opinion, is a violation of the principle of equality, which should as far as possible be preserved in the levying of all taxes."

NURSE STRANGLED TO DEATH

Body of Miss Z. M. Cramer, Found on High School Campus, at Oak Cliff, Suburb of Dallas.

Dallas, Tex., Mar. 28.—The body of Miss Z. M. Cramer, a nurse was found yesterday on the high school campus at Oak Cliff, a suburb. She had been strangled to death. Disarranged clothing indicated she had made a desperate struggle for life.

Miss Cramer returned from a case at Edom, Tex., on Sunday night, and probably was attacked, the police say, while en route from the station to her home. The victim was 24 years old. Her father lives in Maggie, W. Va.

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Make a syrup of sugar, water and cinnamon. Boil slowly for ten minutes, skinning well. Core, pare apples, cook in syrup until nearly done. Drain and cook for a few minutes in the oven. Boil the syrup until almost like a jelly; arrange apples on a dish for serving; fill cavities with jelly or marmalade; pour syrup over them and serve with cream or whipped cream.

APPLE GINGER NO. 2.

4 pounds of tart apples, 4 lemons, 2 pounds of sugar, 1 ounce of white ginger root.
Pare, core and chop apples. Wash, remove seeds and chop lemons. Add sugar and ginger root and cook very slowly six hours. Put in glasses and cover.

[Complete copy of 100 apple recipes can be obtained free by applying to the secretary of the Virginia State Horticultural Society, Winchester, Va.]